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CATUSEK UJVAULT - Headquarters Trace Reply

ACTION: See paragraph 3

REFERENCE: EGMA-71923, 1 October 1968

1. EGMA-71917, 10 January 1963, requested a SIC trace on fnu DIERING, former Kriminalrat and alleged member of KdMA Amt IV A/1, and on an alleged informant of his, Walter SCHLAG, who in 1934 (sic) resided at Berlin Ost, Lippewerstrasse 14. The dispatch further explained that Subjects were of UJVAULT interest (not further specified) but not in connection with legitimate CATUSEK activity. There was a firm indication that CATUSEK once had files on both persons and that these files were missing.

2. In view of the paragraph 1 information, please remind CATUSEK of their 1963 trace request and ask them if additional information has renewed their interest in Subjects? (We note that the only new information in their recent trace request is the addition of a possible first name of Paul.) Also, are BARTILL and WHITE connected with DIERING and/or SCHLAG? The following (except paragraph 3C) may be passed to CATUSEK at Munich's discretion.

3. We have no identifiable information on Guenter BARTILL.

4. We have the following traces on fnu DIERING:

a. Alfred DIERING is the subject of [] EGMA-74402, 25 January 1963, forwarded his BM file in response to the above mentioned EGMA-61917. This contains the same information as EGMA-87442. MORIVE carded information states that Alfred DIERING, SS # 365173, was promoted to SS Ostuf. on 31 January 1944 and that he was stationed at Hamburg as "Id GUSD".

b. Ernst DIERING, born 24 May 1916 in Goettingen, is the subject of [] EGMA-39052, 7 February 1957, forwarded a Mission him. On 17 January 1957 he had refugeeed to West Berlin. He formerly resided at Berliner Strasse 40 in Wehlitz. He was married to Hedwig DIERING nee FERN; they had two children. He had been employed as a "werkschutzmann" at VEB Fleischwarenfabrik Elsboltz from 5 August 1955 until his departure from East Germany.

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c. **FRANZ DIERING** is mentioned in BUCHN 4009, dated April 1956, which (FYI Only: forwarded requests from LHMURE Warsaw for Fed Rep entry visas). Ruth KOT nee DIERING, born 24 October 1922 in Walbrzych, residing at Mickiewicza 10 in Lodz, was planning to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Franz DIERING, who lived at Kinkelstrasse 11 in Dusseldorf.

d. **Paul DIERING** is listed as an SSD agent on a card reference to BGLA-9029. This document has been destroyed.

5. We have the following traces on **Walter SCHLAG**:

a. On **Walter** or **Walther SCHLAG** [] we have approximate DOB's ranging from 1908 to 1920. He was born in Hohenwoelzen. During WW II he spent five years in a concentration camp because of his KP membership. Sometime after 1945 he worked for the SED in Halle. Circa 1953 he joined the MfS in Halle and sometime after that he transferred to East Berlin. From about 1958 until at least 1960 he was the Deputy Chief of the Admin Office at the MfS Headquarters in Berlin. Sometime after 1960 he may have been promoted from major to Lt. colonel. He was planning to go to Moscow in May 1962 for special training. His address in Berlin was Hohenschönhausen, Obersee-strasse 37 or 38. In Halle he had resided at Beuchlitzer Weg 6 and on Hoepziger Strasse. He was formerly married to Irmgard SCHLAG nee ROSPONDKE, born circa 1929, from whom he was divorced circa 1954 or 1955. He then married Christa BOETTGER, born circa 1927. His description is as follows: 5'11" tall, 169 lbs., black hair combed back, Asiatic type appearance, dark brown almond-shaped eyes, freckled face, dark complexion, bad teeth, flat, broad nose, chronic asthmatic, speaks with Saxonian dialect, collects stamps and coins.

b. ONHA-8042, dated 31 August 1954, stated that one **Walter SCHLAG**, born 13 September 1914 in Hohenmalfen, was on an old Gestapo-wanted list which was published by the NSDA.

6. Our file on **Hans-Juergen WEITZ** [], born 11 August 1923 in Duisburg, contains the following:

a. Overt WOFICRU information stated that until 26 January 1961, **Hans-Juergen WEITZ** was 1st Deputy to the Lord Mayor of Weimar. After that date he was employed in the East German Foreign Office.

b. EGFA-43989, 28 September 1965, forwarded [] traces on East Germans mentioned in the debriefing report of [] defector **Horst NEHLS**. Cairo Consul General **Hans-Juergen WEITZ** was identified as possibly identical with the former city councilman in Weimar in 1948-1958. MfS defector **Gerhard SCHINDLER** had reported that **WEITZ** was a contact person of Department V, MfS ED Weimar, and performed missions for the MfS under cover of the city council.

c. NYTA-469, 9 November 1965, reported that **WEITZ** was accredited as Consul General to the Yemen Arab Republic although he resided in Cairo. He had last visited Yemen in September 1965 as the head of an East German delegation to the 3rd anniversary celebrations of the Yemeni Revolution of 1962.

d. FYI Only: LEFW-17675, 3 December 1965, forwarded WOFIRM traces on the persons mentioned in the debriefing report of **Horst NEHLS** and noted that these traces could not be passed to CATUSE. **Hans-Juergen WEITZ** was identified as a Party-line communist who made his name in the Kommunalverwaltung in Land Thuringen. A former Nazi, he was a financial expert in Duisburg. He was later elected to the SED Kreisleitung Council, of which he became secretary in 1953. Subsequently, he was elected as

Secretary of the Council of State Weimar and in 1958 he became Oberbürgermeister of Weimar. He left this position in 1961, presumably to go to school.

e. EGNA-31371, 3 April 1966, forwarded [] information on GERS or GEB suspects. Hans-Joergen WITZ had been the Consul General in Cairo, Egypt, since at least October 1962, and that he had been accredited as Consul General in Sana'a, Yemen, since at least January 1964.

f. EGNA-32348, 19 July 1966, stated that WITZ had replaced Martin RIERNACK as Consul General in the GDR in September 1962.

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